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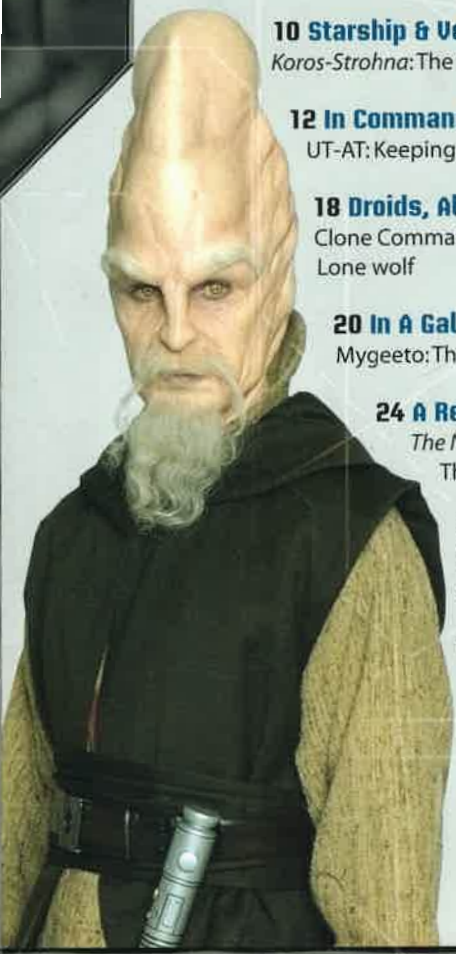

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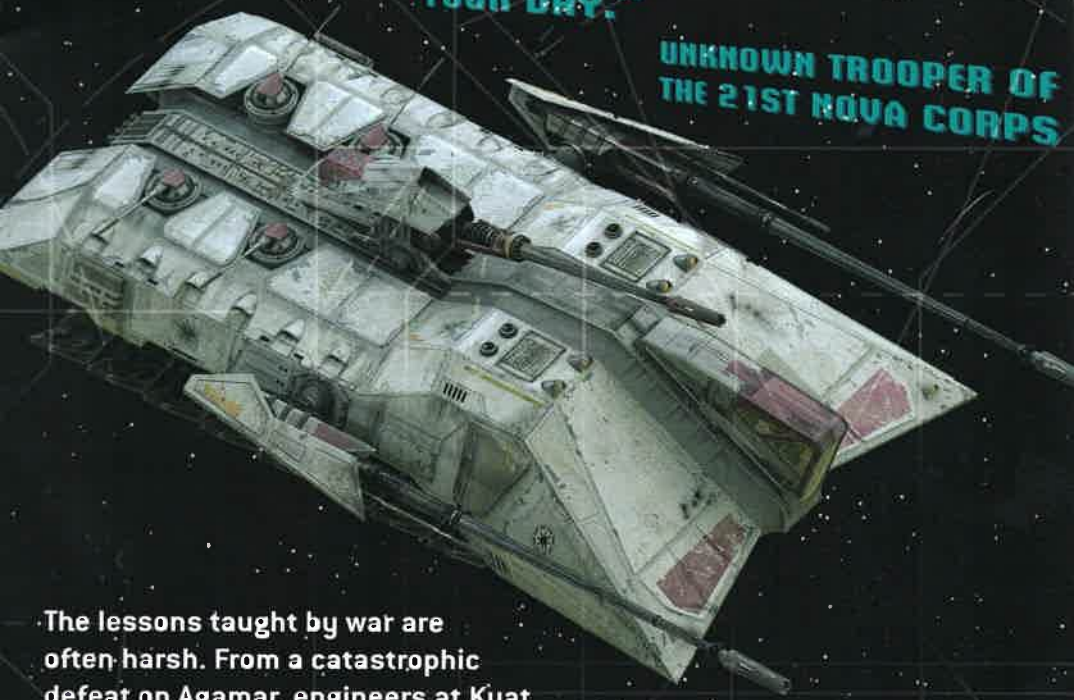
"ONE OF THE BEST SIGHTS OF THE WAR – WATCHING A TRIDENT HIT A PLATOON OF CLANKERS WITH ITS ION BOMBS. THAT'LL BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY."

UNKNOWN TROOPER OF THE 21ST NOVA CORPS



The lessons taught by war are often harsh. From a catastrophic defeat on Agamar, engineers at Kuat Drive Yards and the Mekuun Corporation were able to create a new mobile weapons platform capable of travelling on terrain too treacherous for other vehicles – the Unstable Terrain Artillery Transport.

THE UNSTABLE TERRAIN ARTILLERY TRANSPORT

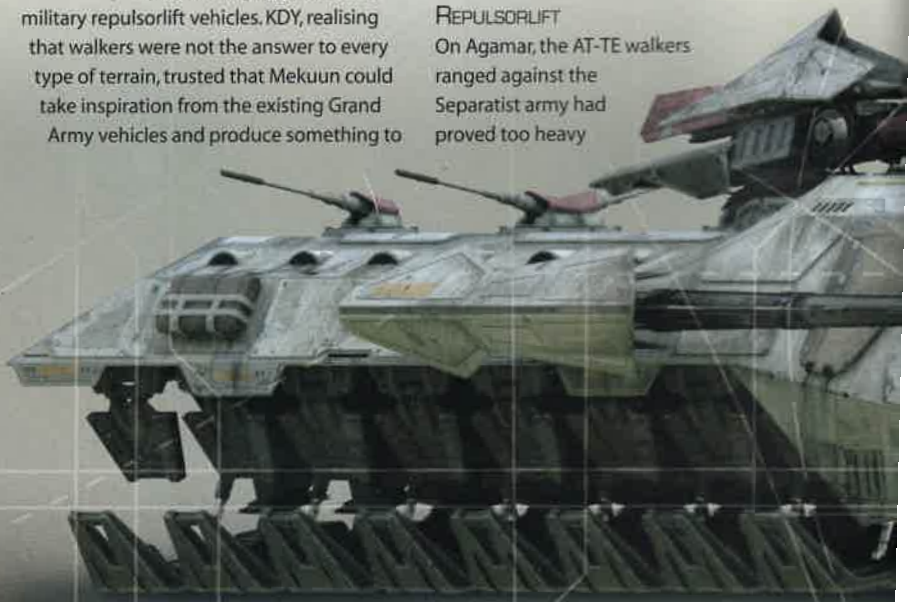
MORE BANG FOR YOUR CREDITS

After the disaster on Agamar, the Republic turned to Kuat Drive Yards for a solution to the problem of the AT-TE and other heavy walkers not actually being able to handle all terrains. In turn, KDY turned to the Mekuun Corporation.

As manufacturer of the High-Altitude Entry Transport-221, Mekuun was already known for its ability to produce high performance military repulsorlift vehicles. KDY, realising that walkers were not the answer to every type of terrain, trusted that Mekuun could take inspiration from the existing Grand Army vehicles and produce something to complement that range. The Mekuun Corporation duly delivered.

REPULSORLIFT

On Agamar, the AT-TE walkers ranged against the Separatist army had proved too heavy

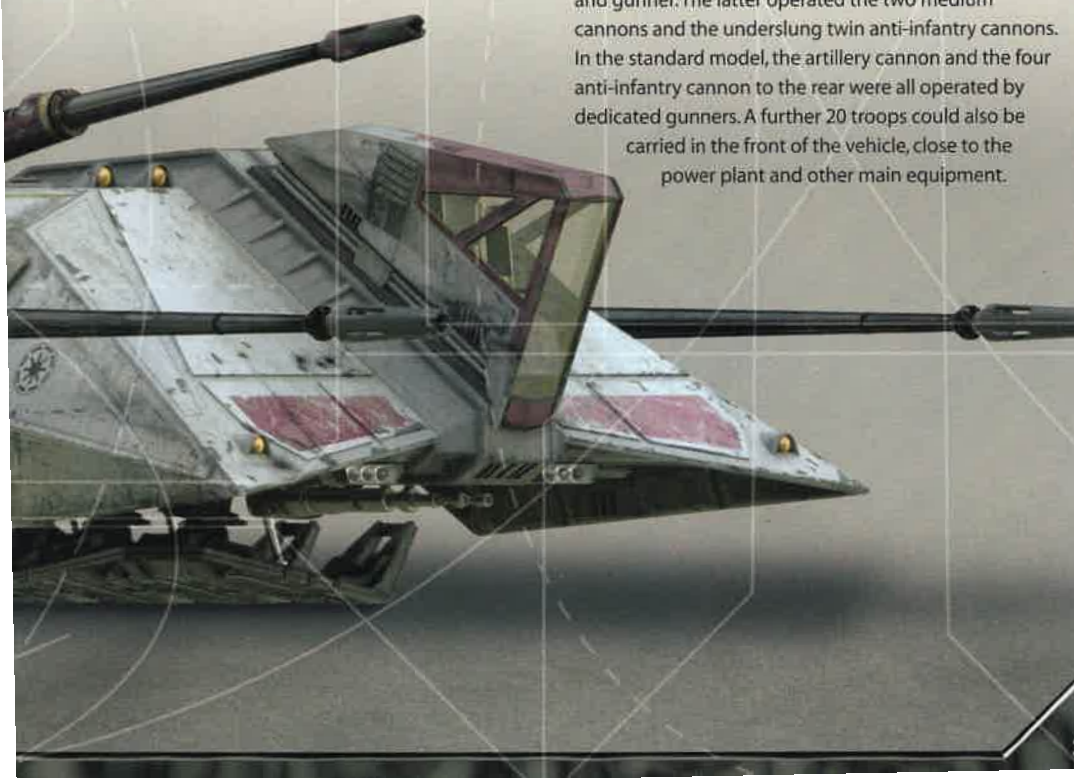


for the natural rock bridges that led to the CIS positions. Mekuun Corp. and KDY worked together to eliminate that danger entirely. The UT-AT had two parallel arrays of eight repulsorlift plates that closely resembled hydrofoil skis. Hinged to the body and mounted on hydraulic buffers, these arrays could react quickly to shifting terrain conditions, moving and tilting to maximise the efficiency of the repulsorlift plates. Terrain sensors and other scanners under the cockpit meant there were rarely any surprises for the pilot and crew. The repulsors that provided propulsion for the vehicle were separate from those that dealt with the terrain. There were four repulsorlift plates under the main body of the UT-AT for that purpose.

The UT-AT was also an artillery platform, so the 16 'skis' had an additional trick that made the vehicle an incredibly stable platform for its heavy guns. Reversed, the repulsorlifts instead created gription fields that all-but welded the vehicle down, regardless of the ground conditions. This allowed the top-mounted artillery turbolaser turret and the side-mounted medium laser cannon to fire with consistent accuracy. These three main weapons were what gained the UT-AT its nickname of the 'Trident'. The standard model featured a forward-facing twin anti-infantry cannon mounted underneath the front of the vehicle, as well as four anti-infantry cannon turrets mounted on the rear. One variant of the UT-AT had an unpleasant surprise for CIS droid troops – a bomblet generator, which fired through four outlets on the top of the vehicle. The generator could spit out a storm of ion bombs that, much like the clone troopers' hand-thrown V-6 haywire grenades and EC detonators, could scramble battle droid circuits and leave them prone and vulnerable.

Plenty of Room

There were two crew in the cockpit of the UT-AT – a pilot and gunner. The latter operated the two medium cannons and the underslung twin anti-infantry cannons. In the standard model, the artillery cannon and the four anti-infantry cannon to the rear were all operated by dedicated gunners. A further 20 troops could also be carried in the front of the vehicle, close to the power plant and other main equipment.

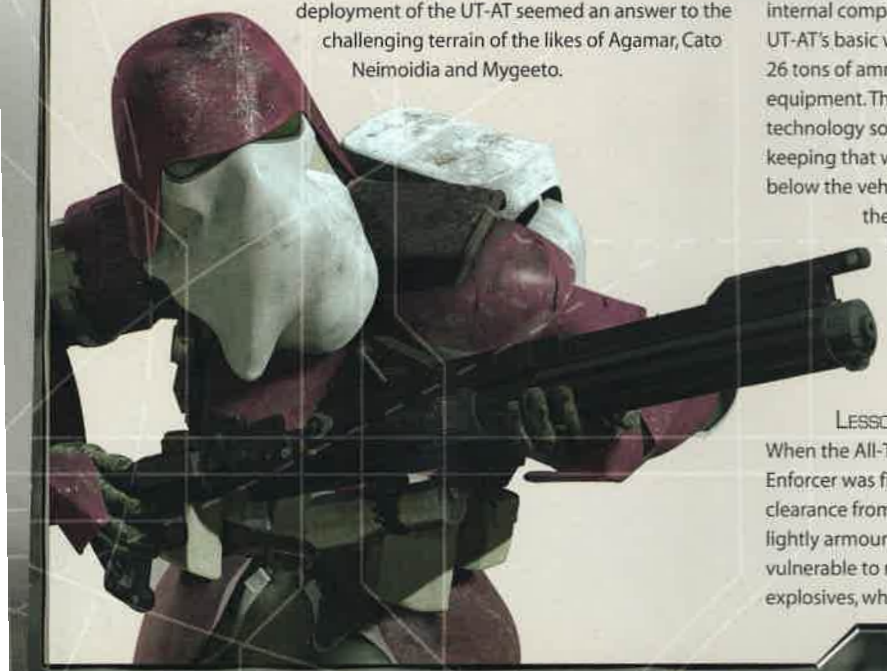


THE UT-AT IN ACTION

A BRIDGE TOO FAR?

Although the UT-AT was a relatively effective solution to the problem of using heavy mobile artillery platforms on unstable terrain, the vehicle was not without its issues. It was slow, difficult to steer, and CIS tacticians quickly recognised a key vulnerability.

For Republic commanders and troops, the sight of their assault walkers and fellow clones plummeting to an explosive demise on Agamar was one they would not soon forget. In a catastrophic instant, a huge Republic force had been all but wiped out. Almost certain victory on a vital agrarian world turned into an untidy rout. The deployment of the UT-AT seemed an answer to the challenging terrain of the likes of Agamar, Cato Neimoidia and Mygeeto.



Slow, Slower, Slowest

The UT-AT was more than 23 metres long, and over 8 metres tall. The rear section of the standard model was heavily armoured, and the front carried the majority of the larger internal components. On top of the UT-AT's basic weight, it could carry 26 tons of ammunition and equipment. The repulsorlift technology solved the problem of keeping that weight off the terrain below the vehicle, but inertia made the vehicle difficult to steer. In turn, this slowed the vehicle down, giving it a safe top speed of 45km/h.

Lessons of the Past

When the All-Terrain Tactical Enforcer was first deployed, the low clearance from the ground made its lightly armoured underside vulnerable to mines and other explosives, while the anti-infantry

The UT-AT might have been vulnerable, but it was an essential part of the Grand Army of the Republic.

turrets couldn't easily target infantry close to the vehicle. This was solved later by giving the walker longer legs and better armour. For the UT-AT, its increased height from the ground, required to permit the repulsorlift skis to operate, was its greatest weakness. CIS tacticians exploited this, and tri-droids and other mobile Separatist heavy weapons units were soon using precisely targeted rocket fire to destroy UT-ATs. Hit from beneath, the vehicle tended to flip spectacularly as its power core and repulsor gear exploded.

Building Bridges

One of the principal variants of the UT-AT did away with the artillery piece and the four rear anti-infantry cannons entirely. In their place, taking up the whole of the rear of this UT-AT variant, was an articulated bridge layer assembly. Manned by clone combat engineers, this equipment put down a solid bridging surface suitable for AT-TE walkers and other heavy vehicles to use. As the UT-AT bridge layer lacked much of its weaponry and had to move even more slowly to lay its tracks and bridges, it required additional protection from other Republic units. Despite all of this, the UT-AT was a popular vehicle with clone commanders, and one which saw heavy use in the later months of the Clone Wars in key Outer Rim battles.

KI-ADI-MUNDI

THE CEREAN JEDI MASTER

Born on the Mid Rim planet of Cerea, Ki-Adi-Mundi came to Coruscant for training rather older than was usual. This set the precedent for his life as a Jedi, as he never quite did things in the usual way within the Jedi Order.

Despite the fact that the Republic had a screening process to detect Force-sensitive children, it was accepted that many were missed by accident or by design. Jedi Knight An'ya Kuro identified a number of children who had been missed, including the four-year-old Cerean boy Ki-Adi-Mundi. Cerea had a shortage of males, but Mundi's father reluctantly let him go, on the condition that his son return one day as Jedi Watchman of his homeworld and its sector of the galaxy.

Jedi, Watchman, Husband

Ki-Adi was trained by Master Yoda, while Kuro continued her travels. At 25 years of age, Mundi became a fully fledged Jedi Knight and returned to Cerea as its Watchman. Before he had left, the planet had been preyed on by the Cerean bandit Bin-Garda-Zon and his gang. Expecting to have to deal with Zon, Mundi discovered the raiders were now led by Zon's daughter. Though captured briefly by the gang, Ki-Adi-Mundi easily defeated them, leaving the elderly, blind but unrepentant Bin-Garda to an uncertain fate. With Cerea now largely safe, Watchman Mundi married – part of the deal that was made when he was first discovered. As the Cerean population had a ratio of 20 women to every one male, it was necessary that Ki-Adi-Mundi marry. He had a bond-wife and seven honour wives.

Travels and Troubles

Though the Watchman for Cerea and the surrounding sector, Ki-Adi-Mundi still attended to duties off-world. His keen wisdom and deep compassion were valued by his fellow Jedi and, again uniquely, Mundi would often take the place of absent Jedi Masters during meetings of the Jedi Council. This was fortunate, as the galaxy was slipping under the shroud of the intricate dark side plots of Darth Sidious.

The Tatooine Connection

The Cereans believed in living in harmony with their planet but, unlike the Naboo, achieved this through a ban on any technology that might potentially pollute their world in any way. Visitors to the planet had to use specific walled

"We need a Jedi of our own, one who will be here always."

Ki-Adi-Mundi's father to Jedi An'ya Kuro

PROFILE

Ki-Adi-Mundi

Homeworld
Cerea

Species
Cerean

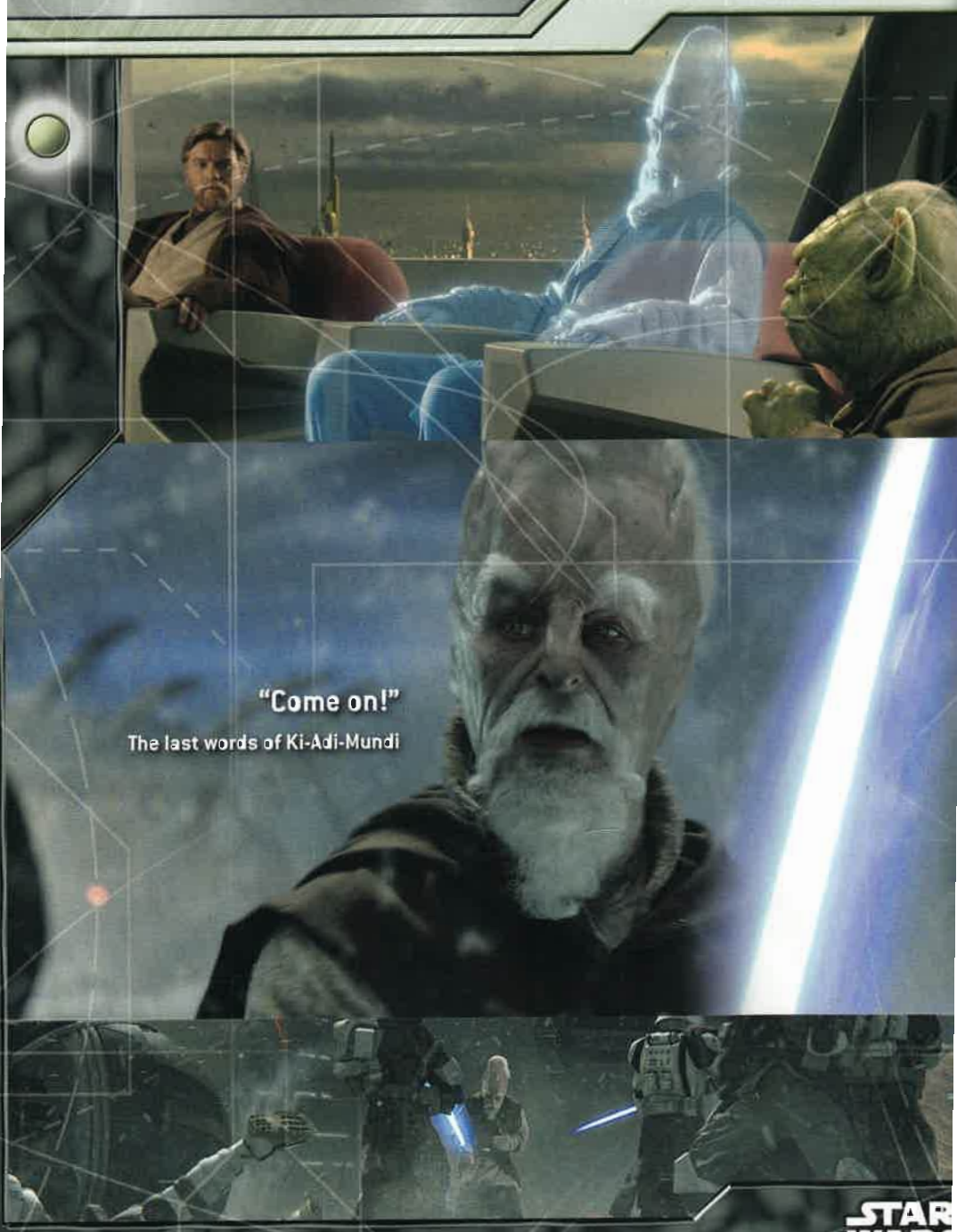
Gender
Male

Height
1.98m

Weapon
Lightsaber

Affiliation
Jedi Order, New Republic, Cerea

WELCOME ON BOARD



compounds and restrict their technology to those settlements. Sadly these places, shunned by most Cereans, attracted disaffected Cereans as well as off-world criminals. When Ki-Adi-Mundi's daughter Sylvn fell in with a pro-technology faction, she and a friend were kidnapped by a slave ring organised by Jabba the Hutt on Tatooine. Mundi rescued the two of them, but the Hutt's men escaped. Mundi returned to Tatooine a little after the Naboo conflict to deal with a conflict between the Tusken Raiders and the moisture farmers. The leader of the Tuskens was former Jedi Sharad Hett. He was killed by Aurra Sing, a fallen Padawan of An'ya Kuro turned bounty hunter and Jedi killer. Ki-Adi adopted Sharad's son, A'Sharad, as his Padawan.

Jedi Master Mundi

Before his second mission to Tatooine, Ki-Adi-Mundi was offered a permanent seat on the Jedi Council, along with the honorary rank of Jedi Master. As he had not at that point trained a Padawan, Mundi humbly accepted the appointment itself but only referred to himself as a Jedi Knight. However, by the time he joined Mace Windu as part of the rescue mission to Geonosis, he had fully earned his title of Master. As the Clone Wars began in earnest, Ki-Adi-Mundi also became a general.

Grievous Conflict

As well as leading troops at the first battle of the Clone Wars on Geonosis, General Mundi was caught up in another first – the Battle of Hypori. This was where General Grievous first fully announced his presence, leading his troops to wipe out a huge Republic force. The cyborg went on to hunt down the seven Jedi survivors himself, killing three of them and badly wounding three others. Mundi and the survivors were rescued just in time.

Fighting to the End

As a Jedi General, Ki-Adi-Mundi served all across the front lines. This meant that he wasn't on Cerea when the Separatists attacked, and could only mourn in private when his whole family were killed. Ki-Adi-Mundi fought again on Geonosis during the battle to destroy Poggle the Lesser's new droid factory. He duelled Asajj Ventress while uncovering traitors in the Senate, and battled across the Outer Rim Territories leading the Galactic Marines. It was at the Battle of Mygeeto that Mundi became a victim of the Jedi Purge. His own troops turned on him in the heat of battle and, although he was able to bring down two clones with deflected blaster fire, Ki-Adi-Mundi was overwhelmed and shot down.

Lost Scene

At the Battle of Geonosis, Ki-Adi-Mundi and Plo Koon led an attack on a Trade Federation Core Ship. The live-action segments of this scene were filmed, but the sequence was dropped before it was completed. The rough cut was made available on starwars.com.

KOROS-STROHNA

THE YUUZHAN VONG WORLDSHIPS

The ships that carried the Yuuzhan Vong invaders through the mind-crushing depths of intergalactic space, the *Koros-Strohna* were bio-engineered craft that appeared more like small planets than starships. By the time they reached the borders of the galaxy, the Vong they carried saw remaining on board as the worst of punishments.

How Worldships were grown remains a mystery, but, as with all Yuuzhan Vong ships, their construction was based on Yorik coral. This living material formed the main superstructure of the ship. Other living components were then grown inside the living coral, bonding with it in symbiotic relationships that ran right across the massive vessel.

Beating Heart

The creature at the heart of a Worldship was the dovin basal. Grown to massive size, this was the engine of the ship, as well as generating the Vong equivalent of shields, tractor beams and even acting as a weapon. Dovin basals manipulated gravity. As engines, they could reach out and 'attach' themselves to other gravity fields, pulling the ship along, or push against those fields to propel the ship away. In intergalactic space, where gravity fields were few and far between, the Worldship would fan out the long tendrils that trail from it to catch solar winds for propulsion.

In Control

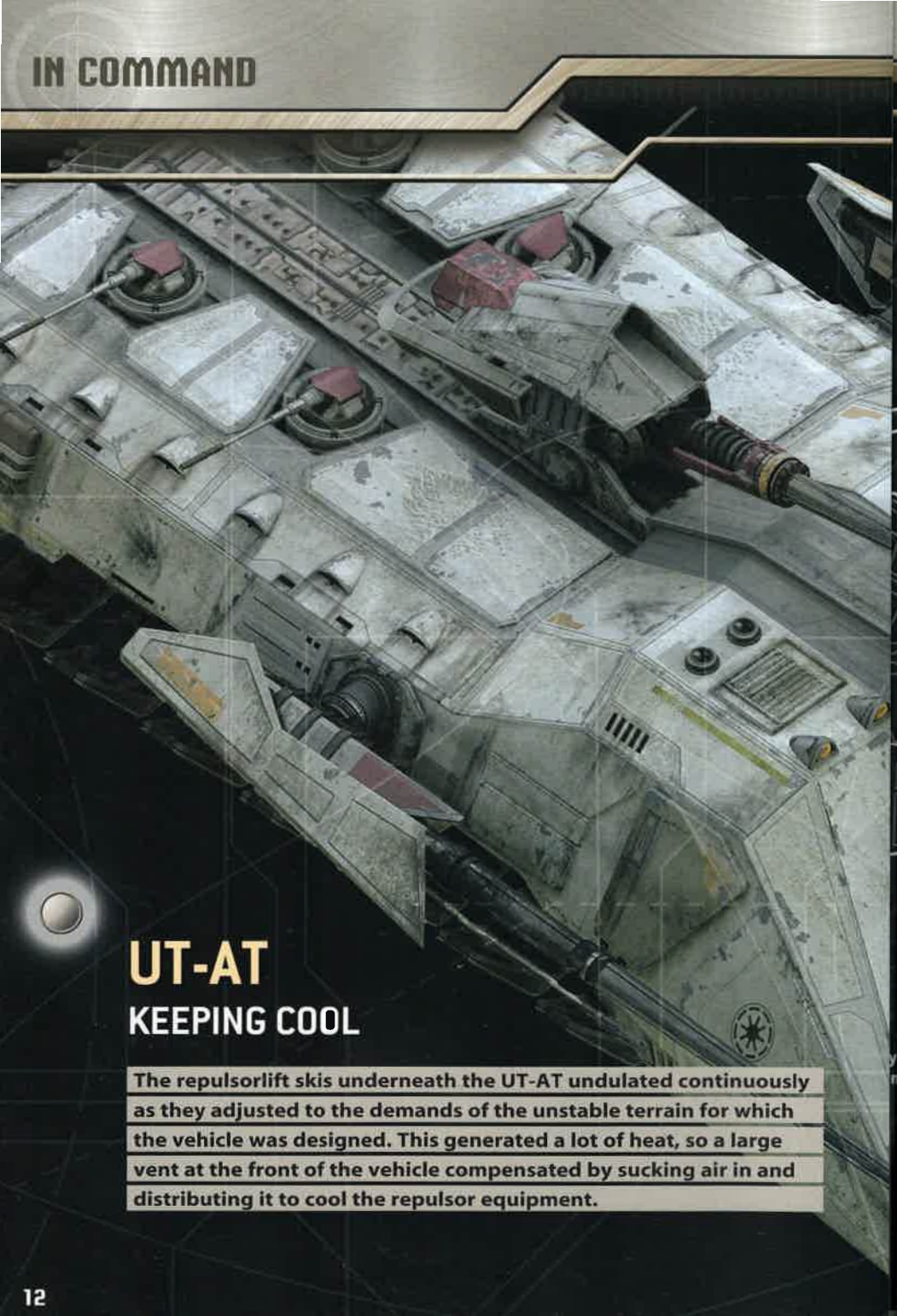
Communicating through minute gravitational fluctuations it caused through the dovin basal (fluctuations detectable only by Vong with particular biomechanical implants), the controlling brain of the Worldship was the yammosk. These creatures were bonded with the organic ships, acting as sensors, communications and shipboard monitoring systems. They could communicate with and coordinate with other yammosks thousands of kilometres away.

Weapons Systems

On the skin of the Worldships, many hundreds of yaret-kor emplacements spat plasma projectiles generated from digested stone, metals or any other heavy materials. These could melt starship hulls and ignored energy shields designed to stop laser fire. Meanwhile, the dovin basal used its gravity manipulation to crush the shields of enemy craft. The tendrils trailing from the Worldships carried support vessels of all sorts, and many hundreds of Vong Coralskipper starfighters.

Horos-Strohua (Worldship) PROFILE

Homeworld
Unknown
Manufacturer
Yuuzhan Vong
Size
100km long, 100km wide
Engines
Dovin basal, tendril solar sail
Hyperdrive
Class 1.5 equivalent
Weapons
Dovin Basal, yaret-kor, 'dread weapon' (giant worm symbiont)
Affiliation
Yuuzhan Vong



UT-AT

KEEPING COOL

The repulsorlift skis underneath the UT-AT undulated continuously as they adjusted to the demands of the unstable terrain for which the vehicle was designed. This generated a lot of heat, so a large vent at the front of the vehicle compensated by sucking air in and distributing it to cool the repulsor equipment.

Armour pl

UNSTABLE TERRAIN ARTILLERY TRANSPORT

Type
Repulsorlift vehicle

Manufacturer
Kuat Drive Yards and Mekuun Corporation

Length
23.8m

Maximum speed
45km/h (limited)

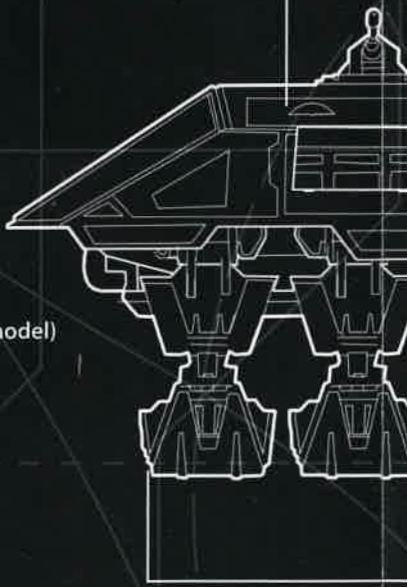
Weapons
1x artillery turbolaser turret,
2x medium laser cannons,
1x twin anti-infantry cannon,
4x anti-infantry cannon turrets,
1x ion bomblet generator (variant model)

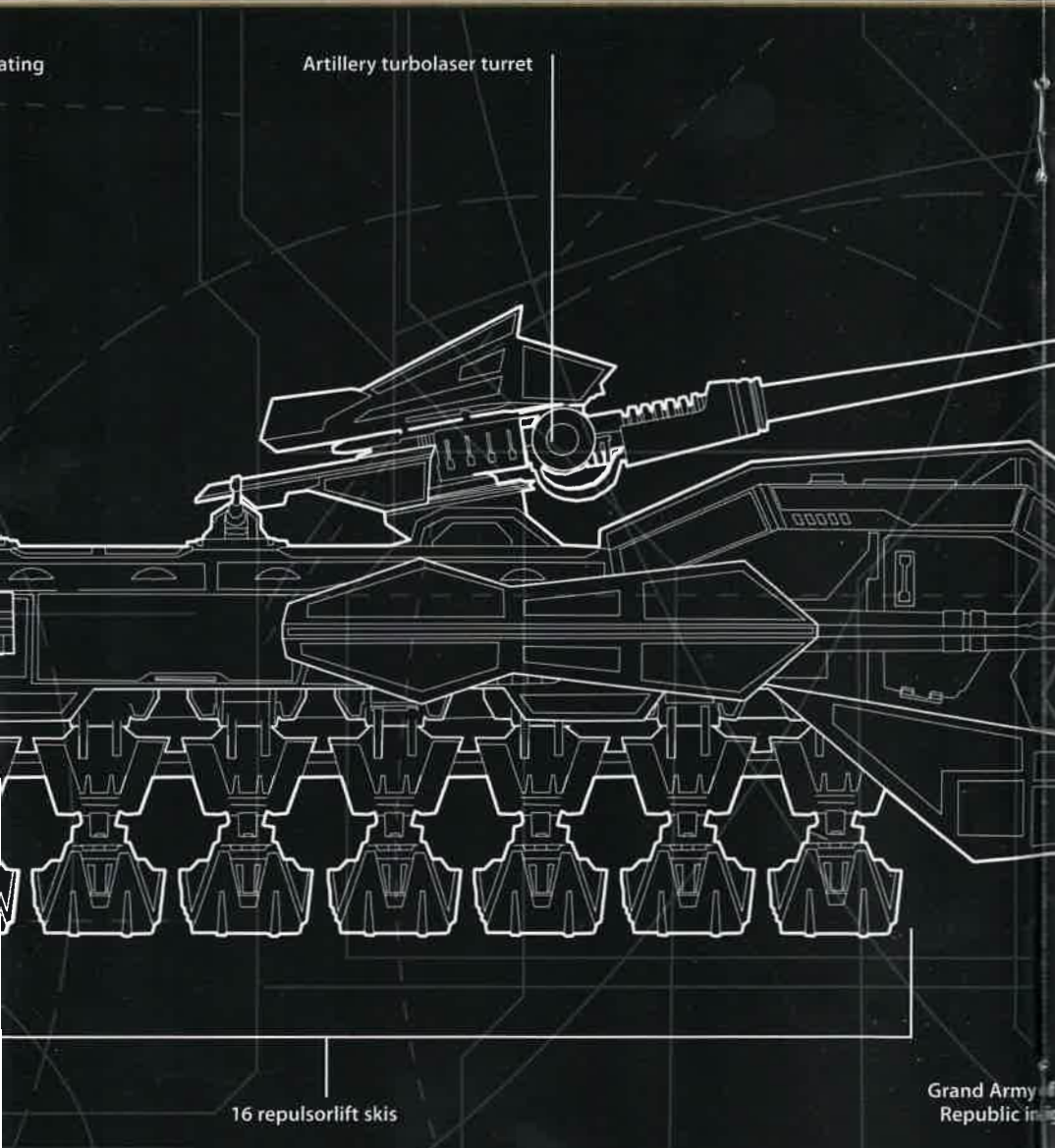
Additional equipment
Articulated bridge/track-laying equipment (variant model)

Crew
1x driver, 5x gunners (standard model)

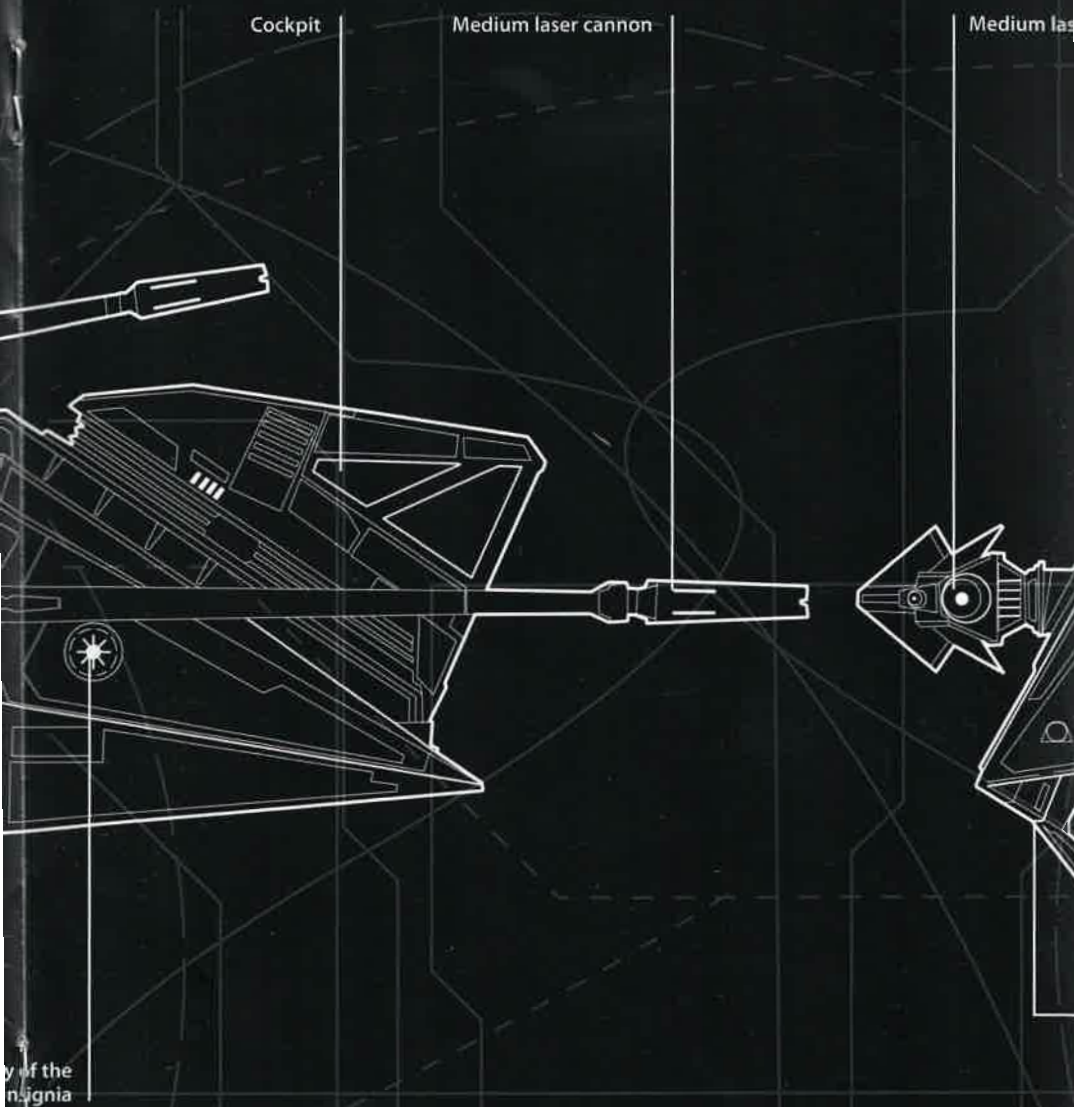
Passengers
20x clone troops/combat engineers

Affiliation
Grand Army of the Republic,
Galactic Empire





It wasn't just tri-droids that could take out a UT-AT with ease. Dark Jedi Asajj Ventress learned which sections of the UT-AT were most vulnerable to her dual lightsabers, leading to explosive results.



Ion Bomblet generator

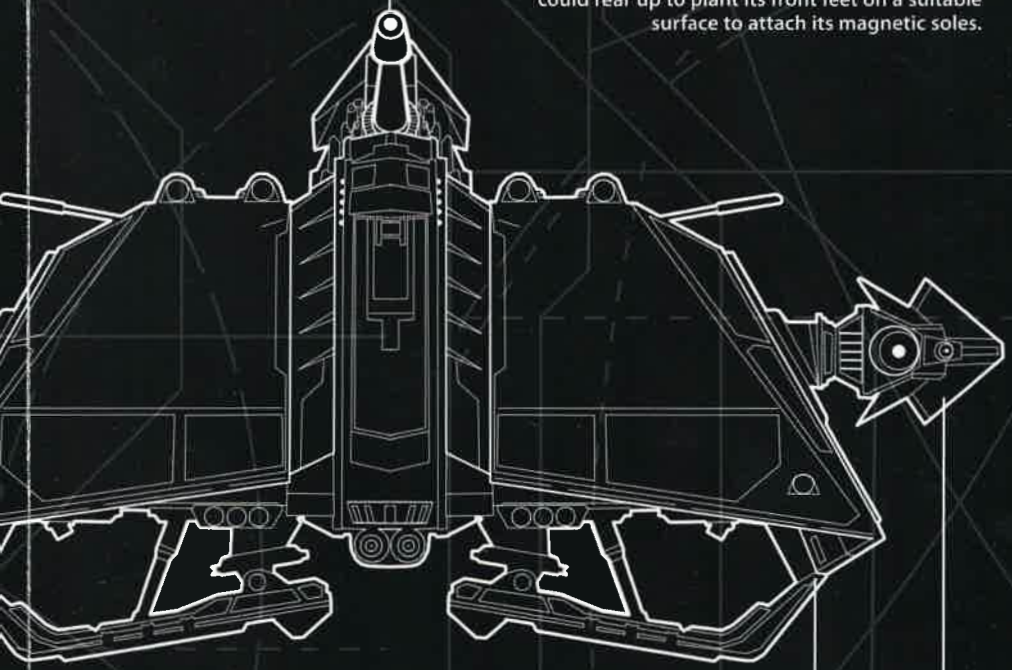
Ki-Adi-Mundi and Galactic Marine leader Clone Commander Bacara preferred the UT-AT variant with the ion bomblet generator. They used it to great effect, rendering whole battle groups of droids defenceless, while the marines' Phase II armour meant that they were immune to the effects of the crackling energy and could roam at will, finishing off the crippled droids.

er cannon

Artillery turbolaser turret

Repulsorlift

The 16 repulsorlift skis mounted under the UT-AT could be used to anchor the vehicle firmly to the terrain it was travelling over when the repulsor fields were reversed to form gription fields. This had the added advantage of allowing the UT-AT to climb sheer surfaces – assuming it could find a sloping approach. The UT-AT lacked the flexibility of the AT-TE, which could rear up to plant its front feet on a suitable surface to attach its magnetic soles.



16 repulsorlift skis

Medium laser cannon

CLONE COMMANDER BACARA

LONE WOLF

Originally designated CC-1138, he took the name Bacara during his ARC training. However, Bacara's training had already been unique, as he was one of the clone officers trained not by Jango Fett or the Mandalorians, but by Cort Davin.

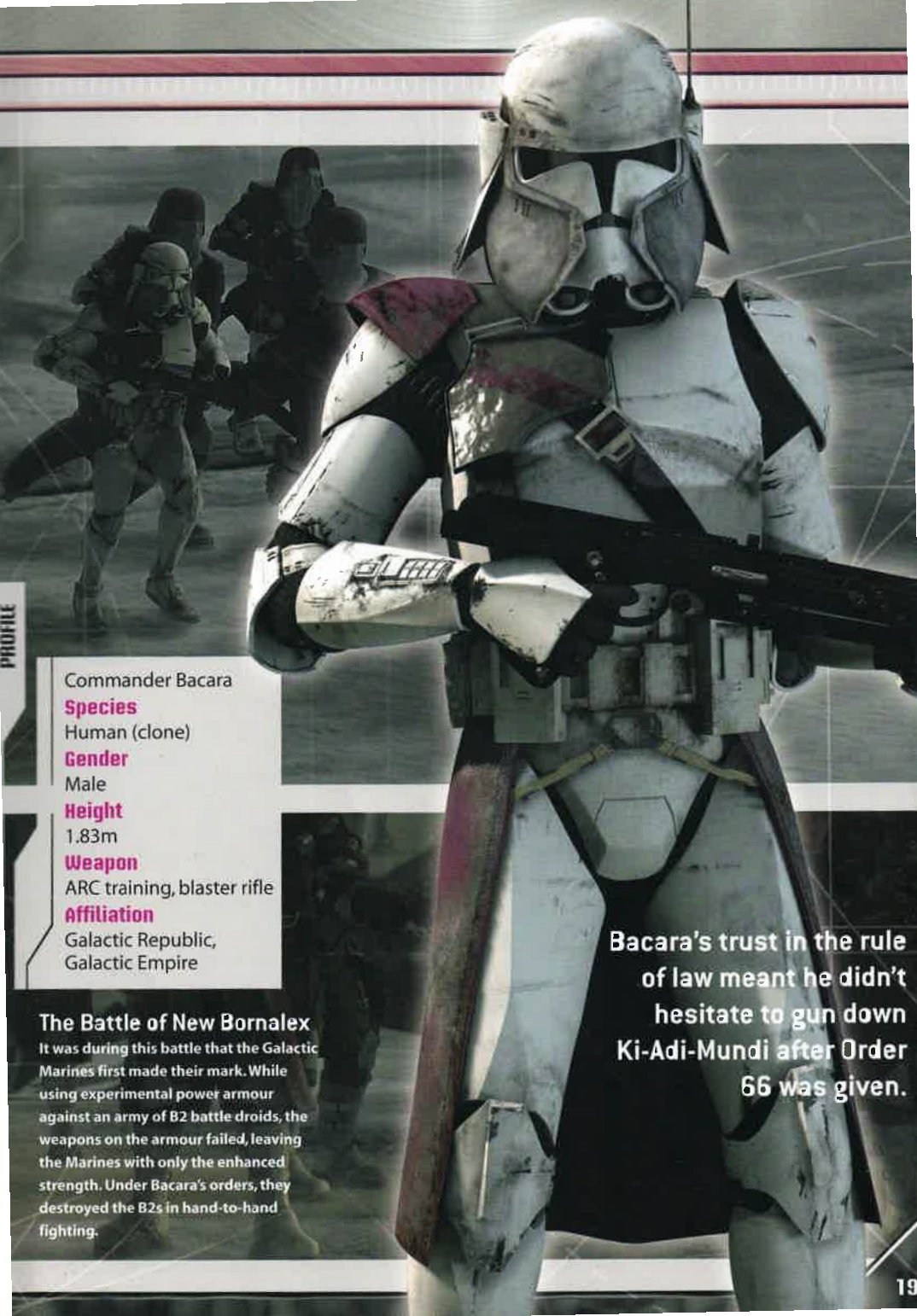
Davin had been a Journeyman Protector – the law officers of the planet Concord Dawn. These fiercely independent lawmen were respected by the Mandalorians, and Jango Fett himself had been a Journeyman Protector. Under Cort Davin's training, CC-1138 grew to respect law and order, to understand the importance of doing one's duty regardless of how difficult conditions might be. The independence and strength of the Journeyman traditions, their history and even their language were taught to CC-1138, and their influence on him was lasting.

ARC And On

After leaving Cort Davin's teaching, CC-1138 led the 21st Nova Corp, part of the 4th Sector Army. Having excelled there, CC-1138 was selected for Advanced Recon Training back on Kamino. His experience and Cort's training meant that Bacara – a name he chose himself – was already thinking like an ARC trooper, and he excelled during the training process. Despite the bond of brotherhood ARC training instilled in his compatriots, Bacara felt apart from them because they used a Mandalorian dialect while he used that of the Journeymen. Though trusted and respected, Bacara was still a loner. Despite this, he and the equally gruff ARC Commander Neyo developed a working partnership and together developed tactics and operational training practices for the newly deployed BARC speeder bikes.

The Marines

After the ARC training, Bacara was returned to the 21st Nova Corps. He was determined to turn the 21st into an elite unit, using his ARC training as a template but with a heavy Journeyman Protector influence. Initially unhappy at the 21st being assigned to Ki-Adi-Mundi, the two developed a respect for each others abilities. This allowed Bacara a free hand to turn the 21st into the Galactic Marines. They gained a reputation for excellence and brutal efficiency. It was a reputation Bacara worked hard to maintain.



PROFILE

Commander Bacara

Species
Human (clone)

Gender
Male

Height
1.83m

Weapon
ARC training, blaster rifle

Affiliation
Galactic Republic, Galactic Empire

The Battle of New Bornalex

It was during this battle that the Galactic Marines first made their mark. While using experimental power armour against an army of B2 battle droids, the weapons on the armour failed, leaving the Marines with only the enhanced strength. Under Bacara's orders, they destroyed the B2s in hand-to-hand fighting.

Bacara's trust in the rule of law meant he didn't hesitate to gun down Ki-Adi-Mundi after Order 66 was given.

MYGEETO

THE ICE GEM

Described by some as one of the most valuable planets in the galaxy, Mygeeto's planetary crust was made up almost entirely of crystals. Most of those were valuable to the galaxy for a variety of reasons, and led to the planet being fought over and exploited from the day it was discovered.

Mygeeto was the principal planet in an eponymy's system in the Albarrio sector of the Outer Rim. Though at some time in the dim and distant past the planet had had a more temperate climate, by the time it was first discovered by smugglers more than six and a half thousand years before the Clone Wars, the planet's core had cooled and Mygeeto was trapped in a permanent ice age.

The Lurmen

The native population of Mygeeto were the Lurmen. Called Mygeetans by every settler to come to the world, these furred sentients stood a little over a metre tall and were pacifists. While admirable in itself, the Lurmen were immediate victims of every group that laid claim to their world, starting with the Hutts who ruled there for centuries. The Hutts periodically lost control of the planet to Neimoidian groups, beginning a long history of the crystalline planet being fought over. The Lurmen were forced to the fringes of their own planet, living in hard-to-reach places – even in the towering crystalline buildings they themselves had built, but that were now 'owned' by outsiders.

InterGalactic Banking Clan

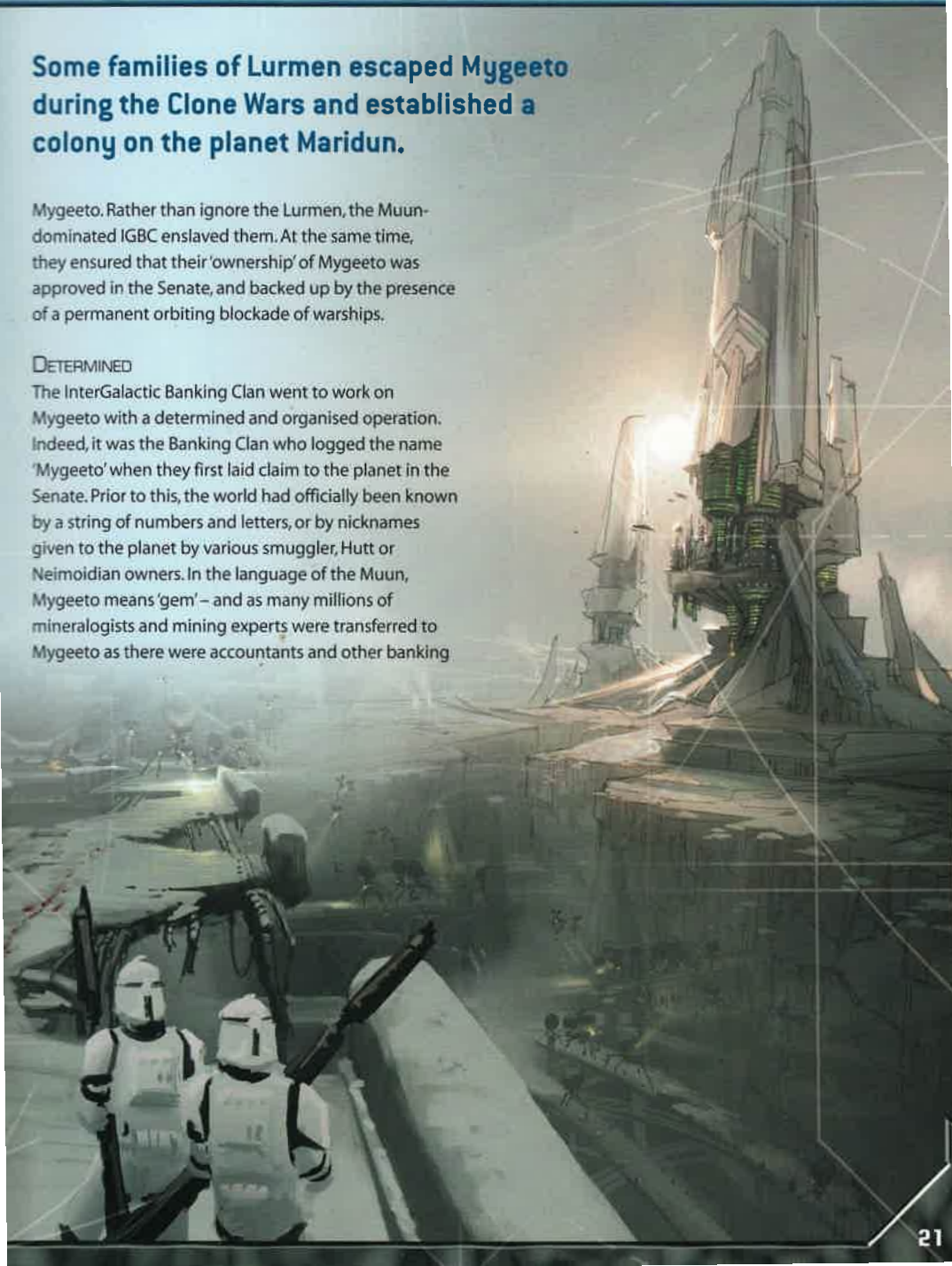
If things had been bad during the rule of the Hutts, things for the Lurmen became far worse when the InterGalactic Banking Clan swooped on the wealth of

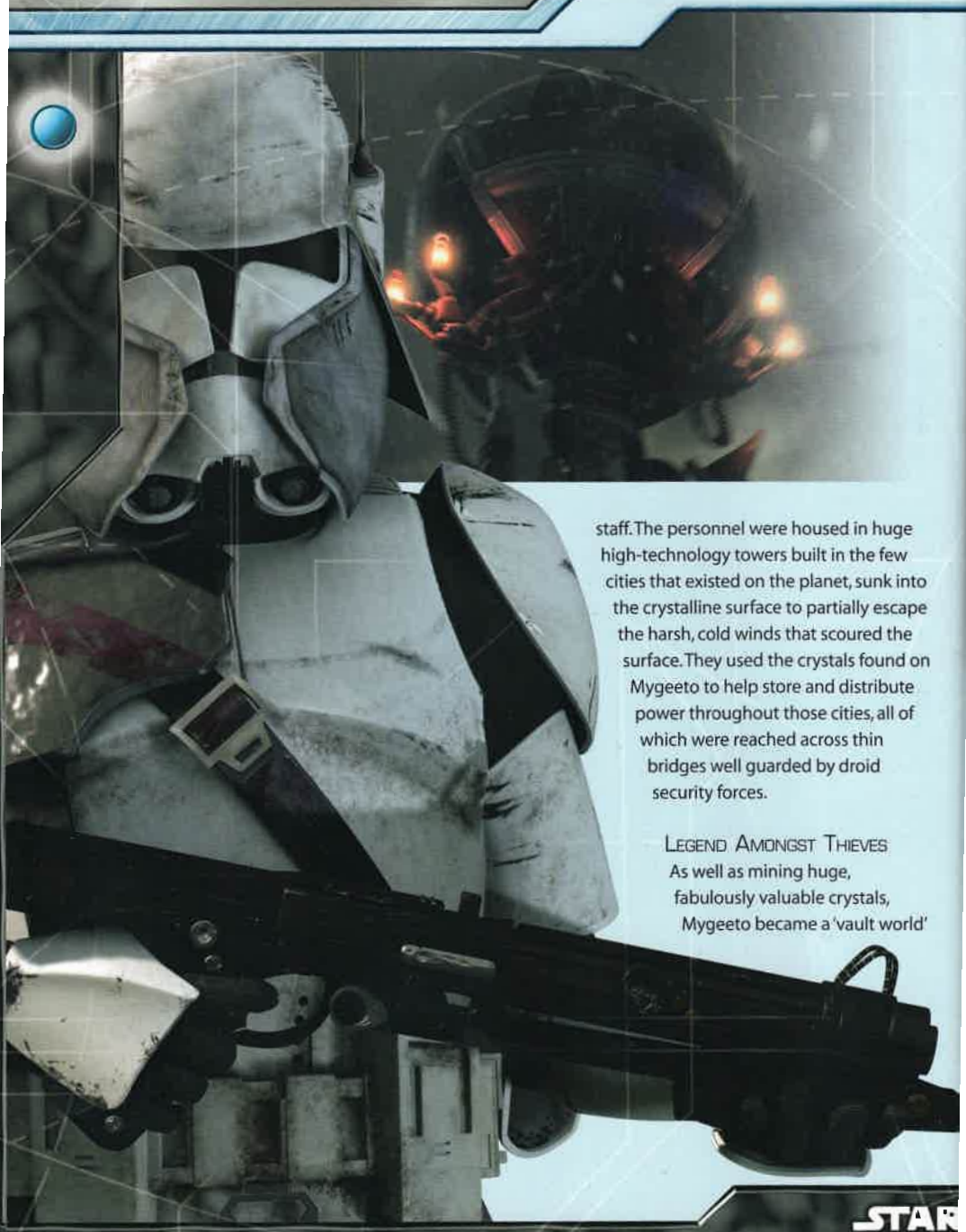
Some families of Lurmen escaped Mygeeto during the Clone Wars and established a colony on the planet Maridun.

Mygeeto. Rather than ignore the Lurmen, the Muun-dominated IGBC enslaved them. At the same time, they ensured that their 'ownership' of Mygeeto was approved in the Senate, and backed up by the presence of a permanent orbiting blockade of warships.

Determined

The InterGalactic Banking Clan went to work on Mygeeto with a determined and organised operation. Indeed, it was the Banking Clan who logged the name 'Mygeeto' when they first laid claim to the planet in the Senate. Prior to this, the world had officially been known by a string of numbers and letters, or by nicknames given to the planet by various smuggler, Hutt or Neimoidian owners. In the language of the Muun, Mygeeto means 'gem' – and as many millions of mineralogists and mining experts were transferred to Mygeeto as there were accountants and other banking

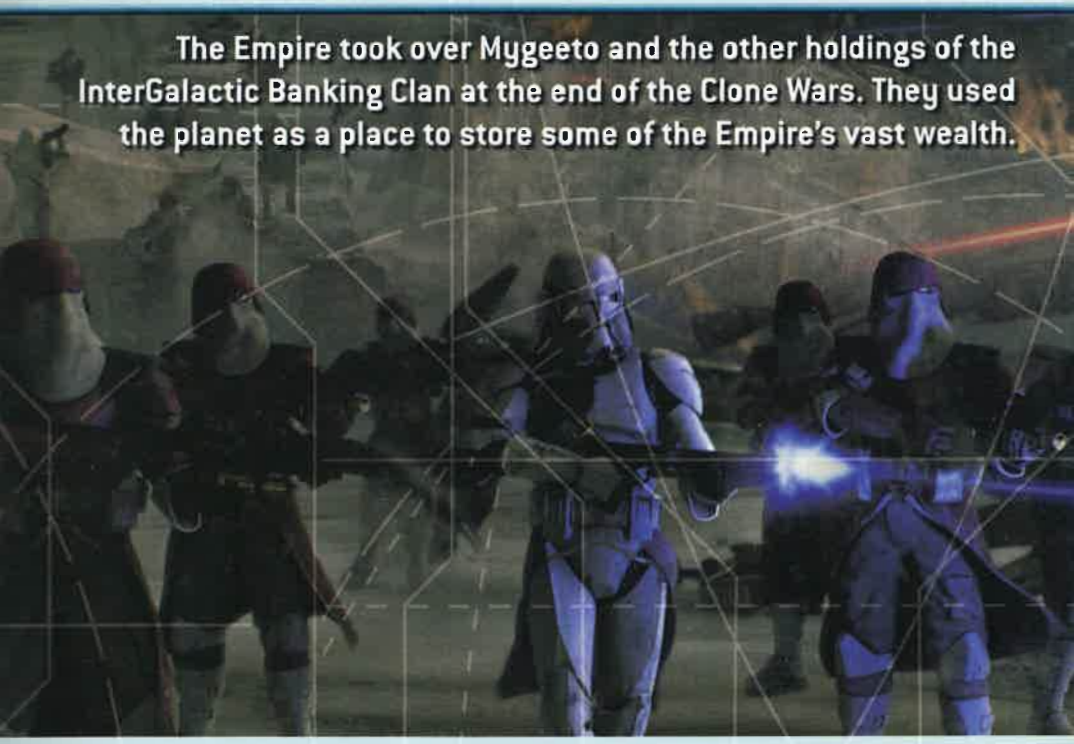




staff. The personnel were housed in huge high-technology towers built in the few cities that existed on the planet, sunk into the crystalline surface to partially escape the harsh, cold winds that scoured the surface. They used the crystals found on Mygeeto to help store and distribute power throughout those cities, all of which were reached across thin bridges well guarded by droid security forces.

Legend Amongst Thieves

As well as mining huge, fabulously valuable crystals, Mygeeto became a 'vault world'



The Empire took over Mygeeto and the other holdings of the InterGalactic Banking Clan at the end of the Clone Wars. They used the planet as a place to store some of the Empire's vast wealth.

for the Banking Clan. The fabulous wealth held in the high security storage centres became as much a legend amongst thieves and smugglers as the crystal deposits. The deadly automated security systems, not to mention the starship blockade, were not the only things that made unauthorised landings on Mygeeto a dangerous prospect. The cold, the howling winds and the driving snow made navigation hazardous for starships or airspeeders. Ground vehicles or those on foot had to contend with deep chasms in the ice that shrouded the unsettled areas, some of them covered in a deceptively thin crust of snow. Then there were the giant, carnivorous whiteworms that burrowed through the ice, bursting through to attack those they detected on the surface.

Clone Wars

With Mygeeto hailed as the second most valuable world in the portfolio of the IGBC, after their homeworld Muunilinst, the crystalline world became an obvious target for the Republic during the Clone Wars. Jedi General Ki-Adi-Mundi and Clone Commander Bacara led the Galactic Marines during concerted attempts to take the planet from the Separatists. At the same time, elements of the 501st Legion were sent on a secret mission to secure a huge crystal used in the first Death Star's superlaser. The fate of the planet was later decided off-world, when the Separatist Council was killed on Mustafar and their droid armies shut down. Peace descended on Mygeeto again, though under Imperial rule.

First Worlds

Starting from 7 June, 2002, the art department for Episode III was tasked with creating seven planets that would be shown as battlegrounds during the Clone Wars. Called the 'Crystal Planet', the setting that would become Mygeeto was initially drawn by Stephan Martiniére, joined later by Erik Tiemens and Ryan Church.

THE NEW JEDI ORDER

THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING

From the publishing of *Heir to the Empire* in 1991, the first volume of Timothy Zahn's *Thrawn Trilogy*, the *Star Wars* saga continued to develop after the events of *Return of the Jedi*. In 1999, *Vector Prime* was released – the first book of a new, linked series of novels. In that one book, everything changed.

With the contract to publish *Star Wars* novels passing from Bantam Spectra to Del Ray in 1997, there was an opportunity to give *Star Wars* fans new to the massive Expanded Universe a fresh entry point. Bringing together talent from the *Star Wars* novels and comics series, discussions were held that led to a proposed 22-book series that would show that the *Star Wars* galaxy was not a safe place, even for characters that had been in the saga from the very start.

New Order

It was decided that the series would be set 25 years after the Battle of Yavin. An invading species from beyond the galaxy, the Yuuzhan Vong, arrived in the familiar *Star Wars* galaxy with the intention of making it their own. Brutal warriors using bio-engineered weapons and spacecraft, they seemed an unstoppable force. At the same time, the Jedi Order and the New Republic faced challenges from within that were every bit as deadly. Seeds were sown for the new series in comics and in the last novels of the Bantam Spectra contract, particularly in Timothy Zahn's 1998 novel *Vision of the Future*. In that story, peace is finally declared between the New Republic and the Imperial Remnant. The comic book *Crimson Empire II* saw the introduction of the shadowy figure of Nom Anor, who would later be revealed as an agent of an invading extra-galactic foe. Meanwhile, the novel *Rogue Planet*, published in 2000, saw the young

Anakin Skywalker encounter several elements that would later return in the New Jedi Order series.

Use of Force

One of the key themes explored in the New Jedi Order was the nature of the Force and the Jedi who used it. The New Jedi Order established by Luke Skywalker was split into factions by the pressure of the Yuuzhan Vong invasion, with some seeking to use the Force as a weapon against the invaders, and others suggesting the Jedi should not get involved at all. This latter viewpoint was taken by Jacen Solo, son of Han and Leia.

Gloves Off

The books and comics set after the events of *Return of the Jedi* had seen the heroes of the *Star Wars* saga settle down (so far as events would allow), marry and even raise families. For some fans, the safety afforded the lead characters was an issue. R.A. Salvatore's book *Vector Prime*, published in 1999, was the first book of the new series and immediately cut the ground out from under fans with the death of Chewbacca. Between 1999 and 2003, 19 novels were released. The New Jedi Order would see the deaths of a number of characters from the Expanded Universe, including Han and Leia's son Anakin. Those that did not meet abrupt ends were still stretched and challenged beyond anything seen before. By the end of the series, the *Star Wars* galaxy would never be the same again, and the fans loved it!

MYGEETO

CREATING THE CRYSTAL PLANET

BUILDING A WORLD

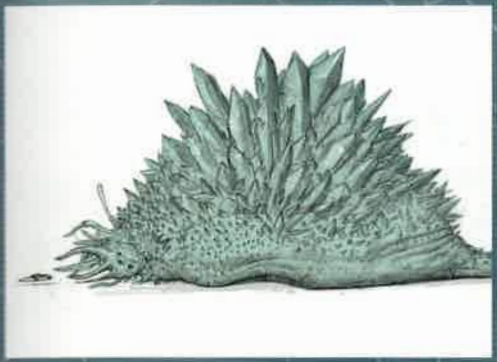
1 Mygeeto was called the 'Crystal Planet' during pre-production.

2 The native fauna included giant worms, drawn here by Sang Jun Lee.

5 Erik Tiemens worked on the lemur-like species who were to have lived on Utapau, before being assigned to Mygeeto but not then used in the film.

6 This production drawing not only shows Ki-Adi-Mundi, but also the high-tech towers built by the Intergalactic Banking Clan.

The planet Mygeeto was one of the first worlds created for *Revenge of the Sith*. Ironically, the UT-AT was designed in the last 10 months of production. Meanwhile, the native Lurmen of Mygeeto were originally intended to be the inhabitants of another world entirely.



3 Sang Jun Lee also created the amazing crystal snail creature, seen here chasing a speeder.

4 The bridges of Mygeeto were an early feature, here drawn by Ryan Church.

7 This illustration by Ryan Church shows the 'crystal ship' which he designed for the Mygeeto conflict.

8 While much of the development of Mygeeto came early in the creation of Episode III, the UT-AT was created in the last 10 months of production.

1 What type of armour did Clone Commander Bacara and his Galactic Marines wear?

2 What does a Dark Moose have to do with the UT-AT?

3 Ki-Adi-Mundi led the Galactic Marines with Commander Bacara. What were the Marines known as before this time?

ANSWERS:

1. They wore Phase II armour. On Mygeeto, the armour was specially modified for the cold conditions.

2. Fans Billy Buehler and "The Dark Moose" developed the details of the UT-AT for the Databank on the starwars.com website through the "What's The Story?" competition for members of the *Star Wars* Fan Club.

3. The Galactic Marines were originally the 21st Nova Corps, part of the 4th Sector Army.

PYDYR – RISHI

Pydyr
Region: Borderlands (Outer Rim Territories)
System: Almanian System

This peaceful moon of the planet Almania was home to the Pydyrians – tall, wingless avians who used valuable gems to decorate the inside of their mud brick houses. Wealthy thanks to their moon's natural resources, their settlements were full of droids that did all their menial tasks.

Pzob
Region: Outer Rim Territories
System: K749 System

The otherwise pleasant forested world of Pzob was the only Gamorrean colony. After a few generations, the settlers descended into the same clan-based warfare that blighted their homeworld of Gamorr. The Empire maintained a small garrison that was all but destroyed by Gamorreans.

Quermia
Region: Outer Rim Territories
System: Quermian System

Ten thousand years ago, the mysterious Arkanians transplanted a population of Xexto to Quermia to conduct genetic experiments on them far from official sight. They created the Quermians, but then left them and the world behind. The most famous of this people was Jedi Master Yarael Poof.

Rattatak
Region: Outer Rim Territories
System: Guter Wade System

This desert world full of jagged mountains was home to a warlike people. When Asajj Ventress lost her family and the Jedi Master who trained her, this sent her to the dark side, and she hunted down and killed the murderers before ruling the planet with an iron fist.

Raxus Prime
Region: Outer Rim Territories
System: Raxus System

Corruption saw this once-beautiful planet drown under mounds of industrial waste. It became home to scavengers who made a living recovering valuable material from the toxic trash. Darth Vader's apprentice Starkiller twice came to Raxus Prime, causing death and destruction there.

Rishi
Region: Outer Rim Territories
System: Rishi System

Rishi was a lush, tropical planet used by smugglers. In the Clone Wars, the Republic maintained a monitoring station on its moon, though this was destroyed when CIS forces tried to silence the crew. The avian natives joined Jedi Master Kit Fisto and a clone army to defeat the Separatists.

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